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GEO. B. TZSCHUCK.

Net daily average ....

It's up to the county board to do a little retrenching that will even up its end of the balance.

Corn King Phillips has had his crown in soak for some time and it looks now as if he had lost the pawn check.

Those warring base ball magnates should try to be a little more polite in the choice of names to be batted at one another.

The Commercial club has expended a fraction over \$17,000 in the year 1901, and the question naturally arises, Did the club get its money's worth?

A Chicago official has asked that his salary checks be cancelled for five months time he had been absent from duty. No danger that the habit will

Congress will have to make at least ten new judicial districts in Nebraska to take care of half the lawyers with aspirations to life attachment to the federal salary list.

If the control of the East Omaha Bridge and Terminal company has changed hands, let us hope that corporation will also change its policy as a chronic tax-shirker.

The latest dispatch from South Africa states the British column is hot on the trail of Dewet. If it succeeds in reaching the Dewet end of the trail some interesting news may be forthcoming.

If it is simply the cheapest possible market house Omaha wants, it might supply the demand by stretching a canvas awning over any of our streets and move it around from place to place each

Thirty per cent of the last crop of wheat in Kansas is said to be still in the farmers' hands. The speculator and elevator man are not making all the money out of the increase in price of grain since harvest.

A few actresses have escaped being injured in some of the numerous train wrecks which have occurred lately, but their managers will doubtless discover some way of bringing them to the attention of the public.

While playwrights and comic opera librettists are racking their brains for something new and novel in other parts of the world they are overlooking the best thing that ever happened in the Omaha police court mixun

Arthur P. Gorman has been formally elected senator from Maryland. Under ordinary circumstances the country would not congratulate itself over this, but as he is to take the place of Wellington the people will shed no tears.

Governor Savage is said to be now in no haste to make new fire and police commission appointments. The 250 patriots who have been waiting for commissions from the governor will have to possess their souls in patience.

Prince Victor, fourth in succession to the Italian throne, is about to renounce his royal right to marry an American girl. If she is up to the usual American standard she is worth many times the prince's chances of ever becoming a king.

Horticultural society recommends the planting of trees on the south side of orchards. Every man who has experisouth wind can readily understand the sults.

GOVERNOR SHAW'S FAREWELL

MESSAGE Governor Shaws' valedictory will commend itself to the people of Iowa-as a model of directness and brevity. Governor Shaw possesses the rare faculty of presenting a dry subject in a clear, forceful and comprehensive manner.

No state in the union enjoys greater prosperity or less taxation than Iowa. It has no bonded debt and has nearly \$1,000,000 surplus in its treasury and is therefore in position to make liberal appropriations to the state institutions under the management of the Board of Control, and also to its university, its agricultural college, normal school, and other institutions of learning which hold a high place in the affections of its people.

Governor Shaw's recommendations for permanent state buildings are coupled with the admonition that the time has gone by for the construction of cheap buildings; he emphasizes the necessity for the construction of high-grade, fireproof buildings, not only as a measure of safety, but also as a measure of economy. He points to the fact that for many years the policy prevailed of building cheaply, and that anything would serve the purpose so long as the roof did not leak nor the walls cave in. He asserts that the time has passed for other than commodious buildings of modern architecture and of strictly fireproof construction. In discussing the projected construction of state educational institutions the governor expresses eminently sound views when he

public buildings should be thrown open to eral of the greatest confederate army competition and the plans, before selec- and also signalized the triumph of the tion, examined by men of recognized ability and of national reputation. The buildings hereafter to be erected should be such as will stand the test, architecturally as well as mechanically, not only of this, but of and the perpetuation of free institusubsequent centuries.

The recommendations of the outgoing governor of Iowa with regard to the elevation of the standard of the public schools are equally sound and commendable.

It is an open question, however, whether the Iowa legislature will deem it advisable to appropriate \$250,000 for the St. Louis exposition, as recommended in the message. The Louisiana Purchase exposition will doubtless excel everything heretofore undertaken in that direction, with the possible exception of the Columbian fair, and may even outrival that exposition in some respects, yet it is doubtful whether any legislature in the union, outside of Missouri, would be warranted in levying a tax for \$250,000 for an exhibit of its products and natural resources at any exposition on this or the other side of the Atlantic.

Most of the other recommendations made by Governor Shaw will doubtless meet with the hearty approval of the legislature, particularly the recommendations that provision be made that the state receive interest on the funds in side that each was not in the right. the hands of its state treasurer, for a more rigid inspection of oils and other explosives, and for the enlargement of the powers of the bureau of labor.

SOME CONDITIONS PRECEDENT. In assuming his functions as toast-

master the retiring president of the Commercial club, Mr. C. H. Pickens, We all realize how essential it is that this city should have many manufacturing

industries that we do not now possess. This can be accomplished by persistent,

We apprehend, however, that the hard work must be preceded by conditions that will make manufacturing as profitable or more profitable in Omaha than in any other competing industrial center. It is essential above all things that we should be able to assure the investor that he will not be taxed out of existence and that he will be enabled to operate his plant as economically in Omaha as it can be operated in any

other western city. It is an admitted fact that taxation in Omaha is excessive and can only be reduced by general retrenchment in city, county and school expenditure and by a proper equalization of taxes which will exact a proportionate share from all individuals, stock companies and franchised corporations.

Located in the heart of the corn belt and beef-producing region, Omaha ought to furnish cheaper living to bread winners than any city east of the Mississippi, but this is not the fact. The consumer and the producer have not yet been brought together through the medium of public markets. As at present conducted the market place facilities are inadequate and inaccessible to the great majority of the working people and middle classes.

MIDWINTER AGRICULTURAL MEETINGS. The midwinter meetings of the various agricultural societies devoted to the promotion of different branches of farm work are being held this month in all bing and manufacturing interests by the states around us. While many of these organizations date back their history many years, they have for the most part only recently attained their present scope and character. Instead of holding simply haphazard experience meetings, the sessions have come to be thoroughly mapped out in advance, with programs designed for educational effect. Requisitions are made on the most eminent and successful specialists in each separate field for contributions to the general fund of information and a scientific yet entirely practical tone given to every feature of the proceedings that invests them with constantly

growing value for the thoroughly up-todate farmer. But it is not only by the exchange of ideas and the discussion of new methods and theories that the agricultural so-A prominent member of the Nebraska cieties make themselves felt. They offer opportunity for concerted action for the remedy of abuses and the promotion of common interests that if availed of enced the effect of the north end of a wisely cannot fail to produce good re-The efforts of the dairy interests

cheese products are well known. The cessions live stock associations have taken a the temptation to use them for political | their city. or personal propaganda, vet as a means of enlightening the public by the presentation of pressing problems as viewed from the standpoint of the rural inhabi-

else supplies. The growing strength of the various agricultural societies and the widening interest their sessions are commanding constitute a most hopeful sign of the times. The farmer is awakening to the fact that concentration and co-operation are as necessary for him in this twentieth century era as they are for the manufacturer, the trader and the investor.

THE GRAY AND THE BLUE.

The discussion precipitated in the southern states by the introduction of a resolution in congress that the old soldiers' homes be opened to the exconfederate veterans is in many respects to be deplored. .. The war of the rebellion has passed into history. The issues involved in that great struggle have been settled. The surrender of General Lee at Appomattox witnessed I am of the opinion that designs for all the capitulation of the commanding genprinciples for which Abraham Lincoln and the armies of the north had fought, namely, the preservation of the union tions. It was decreed by the arbitrament of the sword that the flag of the union represented patriotism and the flag of secession represented treason and rebellion. In conformity with this verdict an amendment to the constitution of the United States was adopted that guarantees the validity of all debts the United States.

While the pensioning of men who ment. sought by force of arms to destroy the union was not expressly prohibited, nobody ever dreamed that such a proposition, either directly or indirectly, would

be presented to congress.

The reconciliation of the blue and the seems thus far to confirm. gray and the fraternal relations established through their association under the national flag in the late war with Spain has softened the sectional feeling, but it has not obliterated the scars. nor has it convinced the men on either be forty-eight hours long. It is discour- 5 cents.

It is greatly to the credit of the con federate veterans in the southern states and to the southerners in and out of congress that many of their leaders are decidedly opposed to the proposed bill that would open the doors of the old veterans' homes to the confederate solhappily subsided. No high-spirited union veteran would be content to be placed on an equality with those who fought in the rebel ranks, and very few ex- always bring the voters around. confederate veterans would submit to the humiliation that would ensue when they came under the fire of the mer who will always insist that the war of secession was a treasonable conspiracy.

OUR COMMERCIAL CLUB. The Omaha Commercial club has done a great deal to promote the growth and prosperity of this city, but it has not yet exerted the full measure of its capacity. Its sphere of activity has been confined within comparatively narrow bounds. Its most noteworthy efforts have been in the direction of creating and sustaining friendly relations between the country merchants and the wholesale dealer. Incidentally, it has been the means of bringing to Omaha various religious and commercial conventions and political gatherings and has exerted itself in a social way in the entertainment of excursion parties and convention tourists passing through the

In its most vital function, namely, the protection of the interests of Omaha against the inroads of commercial rivals ential rates, the club has been decidedly

While the club has been assured and reassured by its secretary that the interests of Omaha were being fully protected it is nevertheless a fact that the infringement upon Omaha's territory has been steadily increasing, and all efforts to check the inroads upon Omaha's job-Kansas City and St. Joseph have failed in every instance except where the railroads themselves have voluntarily gards as a superlative virtue. granted concessions. It is a matter of common knowledge that the Commercial club, as heretofore constituted, has not attemped to grapple with the railroads because the roads exert a potential influence upon its membership through rebates and other concessions made to fa-

vored shippers. The jobbers and manufacturers of Kansas City have such a compact organization that no individual or firm or combination of individuals or firms can club of that city from its main purpose, namely, the enforcement of the most liberal treatment on the part of the crumbs Kansas City asks for loaves, and is not too modest to demand the entire bakery. Where Omaha makes pitiful appeals for justice Kansas City demands and knows how to enforce its demands. Its merchants and manufacturers have along the line of self-protection against | the courage to maintain their rights and supremacy.

artificial butter and adulteration of cannot be bought off by individual con

As a matter of fact the Omaha Comhand in the question of range as af- mercial club has become a self-destroyfected by the disposition of the public ing agency by its eagerness to lend its domain and agricultural societies of all influence to the promotion of the politivarieties have interested themselves in cal schemes of railway managers, while forestation, irrigation, rural mail deliv- the Kansas City club has been a potenery and other matters of public moment tial force in checking the aggression of bearing directly on the prosperity of the these managers where it would be detrifarming community. While the chief mental to the general public and espepitfall to be avoided at these meetings is cially to the commercial interests of

Can anybody explain why Omaha, with a public school attendance of less than 17,000, should maintain twentythree kindergarten schools and fortytant they find an adaptability nothing nine kindergarten teachers, four kindergarten directors and one superintendent of kindergartens, while Kansas City. with nearly 29,000 school attendance, gets along with fifteen kindergarten schools and fifteen kindergarten teachers, and Minneapolis, with a school attendance of more than 37,000, manages to get along with but two kindergarten schools and fourteen kindergarten teachers?

Discussing school board retrenchment. a member of the Omaha Woman's club exclaims, "What is the reason of this spasm of economy?" We would suggest that the Woman's club institute a department to study the financial exhibit of the schools, with special reference to the regularly recurring deficits. What would a good housewife do if she found her weekly expenses were constantly exceeding her allowance and piling up a mountain of debt to plague

Another isthmian canal company has come into the field and proposes to be generous. It is willing to dig the canal and operate it for its own profit and the work. As Uncle Sam is not a pauper he will hardly permit private individuals to make any such great sacrifice in his behalf.

It will be remembered that Bankwrecker Mosher once exploited a incurred for the payment of pensions scheme of reforming the national and bounties for service in suppressing finance in the columns of our amiable the insurrection or rebellion and pro- local contemporary. When we have to hibits the states from assuming or pay- turn to Mosher for tips on treasury ing any debt or obligation incurred in management Omaha might look to aid of insurrection or rebellion against South Omaha for an example of the beneficent effects of pure city govern-

> Slow Pace of Justice. Indianapolis Journal.

Justice is often slow, but if its tread is

leaden sometimes its footfall is heavy-a fact which the evidence in the Neely case Discouraging Reformers. New York World

Just as the eight-hour day is becoming aging to be thus rebuffed after working out a reform, as we believed, for posterity.

Where Money Failed.

Philadelphia Record. never heard before of anything but a simonpure democrat as congressman from the down town Seventh district. It has been reserved for Perry Belmont, as a demodiers of the south. Such a course would cratic candidate in the district, to demononly tend to reopen the strife that has strate that in this regard the oldest inhabitant has something to learn. Belmont's candidacy may not adorn a political tale, but it seems to point the simple moral that in elections money doesn't

How Times Have Changed.

Detroit Free Press. Poor Mr. Bryan finds things very different in these days. The other day they gave I'm a banquet in Boston at which there were forty places that were to have been occupied by old supporters of his. but weren't. Among others, Joshua Quincy had an engagement in Canada. George Fred Williams abandoned the faller When George Fred plays the part of idol. Brutus it is time that the Nebraskan "In his mantle muffling up his face" should hustle off the stage. But possibly there more money still in oratory than in editorializing.

Value of Persistent Knocking. Philadelphia Record. It took six years of fighting to get final decision in the United States supreme court confirming the right of the states to impose upon railroad companies the principle that they shall not charge more for a short haul than a long haul, or, in other words, more for a lesser than for a greater service. At last, however, the matter is determined. The right of the state to reaonably regulate the business of its creature certainly must be deemed necessary to the public security. That it should have been so stoutly questioned furnishes a new proof of the disposition of great corporations to who enjoy special privileges and differ- stretch their authority beyond proper

TWO MOTTOES INTERPRETED.

Jacksonian Lessons and

Crockett Truisms. Philadelphia Record (dem.) Mr. Bryan goes back to Andrew Jackson for a lesson to impress on the democratic party of today. What it has to earn from the hero of the battle of New Orleans, he affirms, "is the lesson of steadfastness." Standing fast against all the storms which beat upon the party he re-

There is another historic character from whom might be drawn a lesson not less important to the democracy-a character who was full of the homely virtues and whose experience as a pioneer developed his mind more than could the study of text-books. "Davy" Crockett took as his motto: "Be sure you're right, then"-and not until then-"go ahead."

Steadfastness without the assurance that the position is right becomes pig-headed obstinacy-a defect instead of a virtue In the language of another historic figure: 'We're all poor critters" and liable to err. To stand fast when repeated experiwield sufficient influence to divert the ences have shown the erroneous nature of an attitude is proof of folly. To get out of the wrong position as soon as possible the only wisdom.

When there can be no doubt of the firmtraffic managers of the transportation ness of the platform, steadfastness be companies. Where Omaha begs for comes one of the greatest of virtues. It was through the lack of this on a memorable occasion that the democratic party allowed itself to be led away from its fundamental principles and placed in a wrong position. When a united democracy shall have returned to the doctrines for the promotion of which it was created, steadfastROUND ABOUT NEW YORK.

Ripples on the Current of Life in the

Metropolis. A notable instance of child heroism was limited means, managed to supply their iness at night. Henry Manges, the father of the family,

died six months ago. In his lifetime the pelled to keep Martha in the house to atto work, and the "little mother" became proficient in the task.

meat. While walking along Fifth avenue the woman suddenly sank unconscious to was no clew to her identity, and for three days the woman lay unconscious. When the mother did not return Tuesday

night to await her return. The next day what little was left of the bread was eaten up and the children lay huddled together the greater part of the day. Finally, the next day the crying of the baby attracted the attention of the neighbors and the children were given a little food. The police heard of the case and investi-

the shelter of the Children's society they were washed and fed. The "little mother"

only asks the government to guarantee are beginning to realize that the famous in the notorious Parole club raid in Dey its bonds for enough money to complete old thoroughfare, immortalized in song and street. He openly opposed William S. business street. Barring an occasional dime museum, a

over almost entirely to business men. Bowery stores are busy ones, too, and many of them handle goods of the best quality. The merchants of the Bowery are organized into an association, and they are very jealous of their reputation as business men. Autotruck company, proprietor of the South The day when the Bowery shops was a Amboy Powder works, a trustee of the place to cheat or rob the unwary has passed.

It is interesting to note also that New upper part of the city, many of whom drop | Country clubs. while out seeing the sights.

For these, the shrewd Chinamen have in stock great quantities of odd Chinese toys and trinkets. Just at present there is a big sale for the wood pulp flowers, which are packed into little disks, and when dropped into water open up at once into very pretty creations. These flowers generally prevalent a scientist tells us are well made and one wonders how a box that in a mere 60,000,000 years the day will of fifteen or twenty of them can be sold for

> of Gotham expresses in the New York Sun January 21. the conviction that the lot of the bachelor at the present time is a very happy one. "To his means are so limited that he can barely pay his living expenses. If he has any social position, and even if he is without social position, but possesses good looks, charm or accomplishments, he may go through a winter brilliantly and perhaps marry well if a good opportunity comes

"Hostesses have learned that the most successful parties are those at which the men guests outnumber the women by far. It is getting to be quite the thing to have a double number of men on a list. Above all, is there a demand for the men classified as dancing men, as dinner men and corner men as the chaps who are most popular for their good looks are called. "The dancing men are the most rare and the most difficult to obtain. If one gives a dance there must be men to dance with Not merely rich men or clever men or handsome men, but men who can dance and

"The cotillon leaders head the list and then follow the men who are known as willing performers in the german, skilled at taking their partners through difficult figures; enthusiastic two-steppers and who are self-sacrificing enough to take out raw debutantes and chaperons. "Men of this sort will have their hands filled through a season and, mark you, they may be extremely uninteresting in ment is assured.

"The dinner man is quite different. may not be able to dance a step. He rarely does, but he is a good talker and is known to be clever in some line. He has a fund of anecdote, badinage and compli-

"What is the cause of it all? There are many causes, but the most powerful one is the fact that women, within the past few years, have been marrying rich men and there is a rage for entertaining. A rich young matron with a town house and a country place and plenty of money, naturally wishes to entertain and, as she must have men, the young and desirable bachelors are asked.

"Not so many years ago conditions were vastly different. People married early and girls did not have the ambition that they have at present to outshine each other in dress and jewelry. "To be a bachelor in those days was

rather a reproach. Now it is an envied position, and the most sought for bachelors re becoming so conscious of their social value that they would scorn the idea of marrying except with the prospect of goodly wealth as an accompaniment of the bride

The New York Press in a column story about Senator Platt says: Thomas C. Platt, United States senator, is in a condition of health which alarms himself as well as his It is not the sudden stroke of riends. paralysis but that of old age and constituion burned out by too many affairs of im portance that required more time and troude than the old man well could afford.

The result is that a bodyguard, or rather safeguard, attends him almost day and night. The mere presence of this bodyguard is an indication that Platt recognizes his physical incapacity. Platt today simply totters around from the Fifth Avenue hotel to No. 59 Broadway, the United States Express company's offices, and is attended at every step by a safeguard.

What the senator fears now is an attack of paralysis, and to have a man beside him when that comes on he has engaged one of the most powerful and ready men in the city to attend him. He is Frank Gillespie. a former captain of the fire department and one of the members of the old Gillesple ness will enable it to regain its former family of Ulster county, of which James Gillespie Blaine was proud to boast.

RICHARD CROKER'S SUCCESSOR.

Tammany Hall.

Sketch of Lewis Nixon, New Leader of

Lewis Nixon, the new leader of Tammany brought to light the other day when the Hall, on whom the mantle of Dick Croker solice of Brooklyn discovered 5-year-old has fallen, is the opposite of his predecessor Martha Manges guarding and providing for in antecedents, character and record, being two younger brothers and a baby sister. a man of high attainments, a successful Fatherless, and her mother unconscious in shipbuilder, and a clean man morally and hospital, the little girl, with extremely politically. For some years Mr. Nixon was balanced by our higher standards of living. attached as government expert to the shipwants, kept them warm in a cold house and building yard of William Cramp & Sons, bravely overcame the child-fear of lone- and there he supervised the building of many of our best ships. Finally he acstruction for the great Philadelphia shipfamily was always well cared for and well building firm, with which he still mainfed. After his death the mother was com- tains a connection in an advisory capacity. Under his skilled eye were built the artend the younger children while she went mored cruiser New York, Admiral Sampson's flagship in the Spanish-American war. the fleet commerce destroyer and scout ship Mrs. Manges left her home to go to work Columbia and St. Paul and St. Louis Tuesday of last week. In the house at the of the American line, which also did gal-The was a small loaf of bread and a little lant service in war time as auxiliary cruis- shows that close behind Norway, and ahead ers. Mr. Nixon, after severing active connection with the Cramps, set up as a ship- ahead of other states of our country, New the pavement. An ambulance from the builder for himself, baving bought and Seney hospital was summoned and the sur- greatly enlarged and improved a small plant geons tried in vain to revive her. There at Elizabethport, N. J., operated by S. L. boats, torpedo boats, destroyers, submarine night little Martha put the other children fighters and small cruisers, as well as country with an increasing degree of freto bed and sat up the greater part of the various types of merchantmen and smaller commercial craft. Though allied with Tammany hall eleven badly as our fathers were at 40."

years ago, Mr. Nixon took no prominent place in municipal politics until several years later. When, lined up for the first fight for control of the greater city, Mr. Croker saw the need of pushing to the front When the little ones were taken to clean, strong young men of the stamp of Nixon, Stewart M. Brice and William Astor were washed and fed. The "little mother" chanler, he persuaded the young shipworn out by her long watching for the 
mother than did not come, fell asleep while 
eating a bowl of bread and milk. In the 
Seney hospital the mother, Agnes Manges, 
is slowly recovering.

Chicago Tribune: "Ethel, dear, how can 
you expect that cold of yours to get any 
better while you are doing absolutely 
nothing for it."

"Doing nothing, mamma? Why. I am 
pointment of East river bridge commisjust as hard as I can!" Chanler, he persuaded the young ship-Although the Bowery still possesses the glamor of wickedness for the sailor on shore leave, the soldier on a vacation, or most active member of Tammany's antithe visitor from the country, New Yorkers vice committee of five Mr. Nixon took part story, has become a staid and legitimate Devery and sought, without success, to oust him from the police department. He admitted in his report that blackmail was few cheap concert halls at the lower end, being levied upon illegal resorts, but denied and two score saloons, relates the New vigorously that Tammany hall as an or-York Sun, the Bowery has been given ganization countenanced any such methods or profited by them.

Mr. Nixon is married. He is not only the president of the East River Bridge commission, but he is also vice president of the Webb academy and Home for Shipbuilders, a fellow of the American Geographical so clety, a member of the New York State York's Chinatown, at the lower end of the Chamber of Commerce, of the Army and Bowery, has become quite a commercial Navy club of Washington, the Rittenhouse center. A score or more Chinamen have club of Philadelphia, the Union, Democratic opened shops along Pell street, and their and New York Yacht clubs of New York principal customers are people from the and the Seneca and Richmond County

PERSONAL NOTES.

It may be noted that Mr. Kipling is it South Africa, but he is not fighting. The roster of Philippine heroes is growing steadily. The latest name on it is that of Major Waller, "the hero of Samar," John G. Milburn of Buffalo, at whose house President McKinley died, will be tendered the presidency of the New York

Governor Shaw has so far learned the situation in the Washington news factories be a bachelor in New York," she says, "is a as to declare that when he is in charge of great, good thing. It does not matter if Uncle Sam's treasury he will authorize no interview not signed by himself.

William Gwin, the colored messenger who has served thirteen secetaries of state durng the last thirty years, carries a gold watch inscribed "From William M. Evarts

watch inscribed "From William M. Evarts to William Gwin, February, 1893."

The lesson drawn by Rev. G. W. Torbush, a Methodist clergyman of Pittsburg, from the success of the play "Ben-Hur" is that Christian theaters should be endowed by Christian men and women and supported by the church and run even at a loss.

Ye saw that the land lay fenceless and ye let the months go by; Waiting some easy wonder; hoping some saving sign—
Idle—openly idel—in the lee of the forespent Line.
Idle—except for your boasting, and what is your boasting worth
If ye gradge a year of service to the lordiest life on Earth?
And the land lay fenceless and ye let the months go by; Waiting some easy wonder; hoping some saving sign—
Idle—in the lee of the forespent Line.
Idle—except for your boasting worth
If ye gradge a year of service to the lordiest life on Earth?
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Idle—openly idle—in the lee of the forespent Line.
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By the municipal assessment the heaviest individual taxpayer in Hartford, Conn., is James J. Goodwin, who pays on \$468,025. The firm paying the largest is Brown. Thomson & Co., who pay on \$507,000, Insurance and bank stocks are now listed with the state tax commissioner. President Roosevelt has been unanimously

elected an honorary member of the Union League club of New York. He has been an active member of the club for about eighteen years. Presidents Harrison and McKinley were the only chief executives similarly honored by the club.

The Boston Transcript says: "Lieutenant H. L. Roosevelt, United States Marine corps, a nephew of President Roosevelt and who is well known in this city from having served at the barracks at the Charlestown Navy yard recently, has been ordered every other way, but if they once get on from his present duties at the naval training the list of dancing men their entertain- station, San Francisco, to Cavite, Philippine islands. Emperor William, among a variety of new

subjects engaging his attention, is looking into the relations of the German workmen's productiveness and the use of beer during working hours. His majesty's inquiries mong employers and students of social questions indicate that he regards the beer now drunk regularly on factory premises as appreciably detrimental to both accuracy of workmanship and amount of product.

STRENUOUS HEALTHFULNESS.

Americans Pushing the Grim Reaper to a Back Seat.

Insurance Statistician This country is more healthy with the exception of Norway and Sweden than any part of Europe, and the effect of the intense struggle for success on the part of our business men and women is more than which tend to make our people continue along the path of improvement. While it is impossible to arrive at final conclusions on the basis of our industrial or ordinary axcepted the post of superintendent of con- periences, because of the careful medical selection exercised in insurance practice, the facts established by other investigations indicate that the adult foreign born citizen is subject to a lower mortality in the United States than in his own country, and it may be safely assumed that any inherited tendency to early decay will be more than balanced by the healthier conditions of life in our country. A comparative mortality table of Great Britain, France, Germany, and Jersey has the lowest death rate. chance of attaining the age of 100 in Massachusetts is today ten times what it was Moore & Sons. He has successfully launched half a century ago. Certainly the facts are from the ways of the Crescent yard gun- abundant tending to prove that old age is being attained by men and women in this quency, and, what is better, to quote the words of authority: "It is certain that our American men at 60 are not broken up as

BREEZY CHAFF.

Baltimore News: "I don't understand it," wailed Bigsley. "Don't understand what?" "The more I contract my bills the more they expand."

"Ha!" said the second, "then she's a wild cat, and that makes us golfers."

"Playing on the lynx." Atlanta Constitution: In a letter to a friend in Texas a Georgia correspondent says: "I have no news to tell you, 'cept that your house is burnt down, your farm has been sold for a mortgage, an' most of your friends air dead."

Washington Star: "What we want to do is to send business men to the legislature." "Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "we are getting on in that direction. The way some of the people in the legislature talk business to me is simply dazzling."

Denver Republican: Officer—Is your brother, who was so deaf, any better? Bridget—Sure, he'll be all right in the

Officer-You don't say so.

Bridget-Yes; he was arrested yesterday, and he gets his hearin' in the morning. Philadelphia Press: "Oh, yes; he's very

clever."
"Huh! he doesn't do anything to show it.
I never knew him to do a stroke of work."
That's just where he shows his cleverness. A man has to be clever who can
make a living without working." Brooklyn Eagle: Larkens—That Mrs. Sniffin is a remarkable woman! Vanscooter—Indeed? Larkins (impressively)—Yes. She is positively the only woman I ever knew who when she was showing off her baby and it began to yell, did not remark that she could not understand why it did so, as it

never cried other times. "THE ISLANDERS."

The February number of World's Work contains the complete poem of Rudyard A woman of experience in the social life Bar association at its meeting in Albany Kipling, "The Islanders," which the whole

most interesting verses most interesting verses:

And ye vaunted your fathomless power and ye flaunted your iron pride.

Ere—ye fawned on the Younger Nations for the men who could shoot and ride:
Then ye returned to your idols; then ye contented your souls.

With the flaunteled fools at the wicket or the muddled oafs at the goals.

Given to strong delusion, wholly believing a lie,
Ye saw that the land lay fenceless and ye let the months go by;

Ancient, effortiess, ordered, cycle on cycle

Life so long untroubled that ye who inherit forget
It was not made with the mountains; it
is not one with the deep,
Men, not Gods, devised it. Men, not Gods,

Arid, aloof, incurious, unthinking, unthanking, gelt—
Will ye loose your schools to flout them till the browbeat columns melt?
Will ye pray them or preach them or print them or ballot them back from your shore?

shore?
Will your workmen issue a mandate to bid
them strike no more?
Will ye rise and dethrone your rulers?
(Because ye were idle both,
Pride by insolence humbled? Indolence
spurred by sloth?)
No doubt but ye are the people; who shall
make you afraid? Also your gods are many; no doubt but your gods shall aid, Idols of greasy alters built for the spirit's

Idols of greasy altars built for the spirit's ease;
Proud little brazen Baals and talking fetishes;
Totems of sept and party and wise woodpavement gods—
These shall come down to the battle and snatch you from under the rods?
From the gusty, flickering gun-roll with viewless salvoes rent.
And the pitted hail of the builtest that tell not whence they were sent?
When ye are ringed as with iron; when ye are scourged as with whips.
When the meat is yet on your belly and the boast is yet on your lips;
When ye go forth at morning and the noon beholds you broke—
Ere ye lie down at even, your remnant under the yoke.

The Daughter of Ignorance It's consumption. If

you had only known how

vou would have done something promptly, wouldn't you? But even now, when you have early consumption, the best medicine for controlling your cough and healing your lungs is Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. You had better talk with your doctor about this. If he knows of anything better, be sure and get it. The

your cough was going to hang on.

one great object is to be cured. "My mother had consumption for many years. At last she was given up to die. A neighbor told her to try Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. She did so and was com tely cured, and is today in the enjoyment of good

health." - D. P. JOLLY, Avoca, N. Y. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mess.